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Red Lodge Carnegie Library

BTOP Public Computing Center Goals and Objectives

Montana's project promotes three BTOP statutory purposes:

1) provide improved access to broadband service to consumers residing in under-served areas of the country;
2) provide broadband education, awareness, training, access, equipment, and support to libraries; and,
3) stimulate the demand for broadband, economic growth, and job creation.

Objectives
1) increase broadband speeds at participating libraries up to 21 mbps;
2) cut wait times in half by increasing the total number of workstations and expanding library operation hours;
3) improve access by purchasing ADA compliant software, hardware, and furniture, and through minor renovation projects aimed at increasing accessibility of computing center facilities;
4) offer courses to increase computer literacy; and
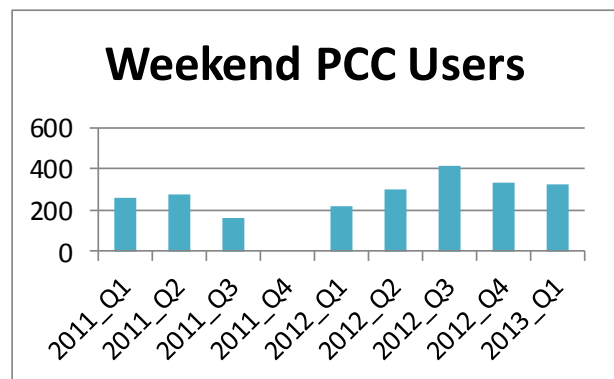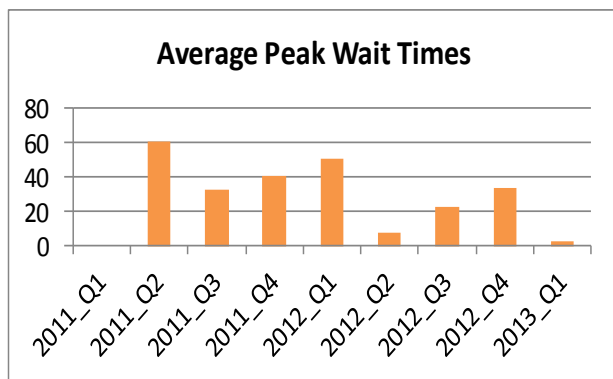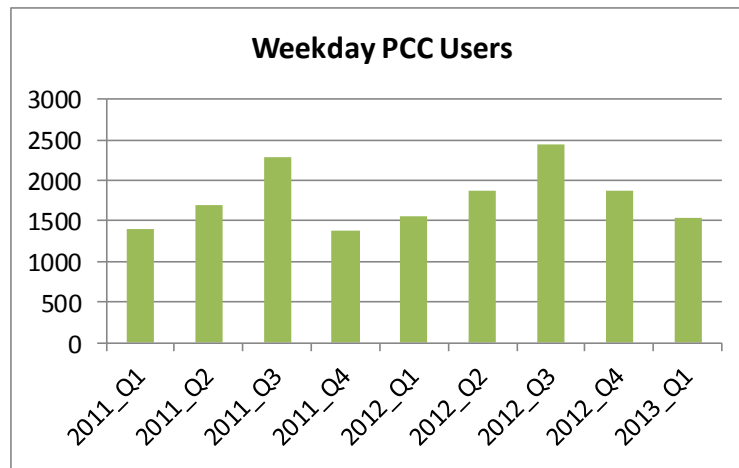5) provide Internet and library resources to rural Montana using a mobile computer lab.

Successes

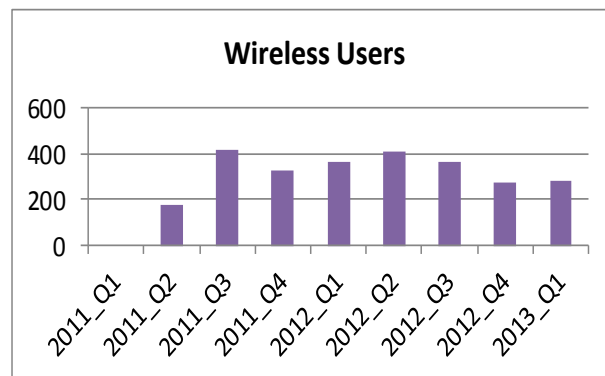| Internet Service Provider	Original Broadband Speed	Current Speed (mbps)
Bresnan/Optimum	1.50	5.00

Red Lodge Carnegie Library Computing Center Now Offers...

- 8 desktop computers
- 6 laptop computers
- 1 laptop cart
- 2 ZoomText 10 Low vision software
- 1 ZoomText Camera with stand
- 2 low dexterity mice
- 2 low vision keyboard
- 2 Bierley magnification mice
- 26 headphones sets
- 8 privacy screens
- 1 LaserJet printer

- 1 presentation screen
- 1 projector
- iPad
- Kindle Keyboard
- Kindle Fire
- Nook Tablet
- Samsung Galaxy Tab
- Google Nexus
- Coby Snapp digital video camera

MONTANA State Library

> The BTOP Projection Screen and Digital Projector were used for two programs this month, Outlaws at the Library and Haunted Montana. The technology allowed presenters to share PowerPoint slides and videos, enhancing the programs.

> Through BTOP, the library acquired 6 laptops for patron use. The library board adopted a policy to allow patrons to check these out for use in the library during regular working hours (free of charge). The laptops will also be used for training and as needed.

Public Computer Center Usage

Weekday PCC Users

Average Peak Wait Times

Weekend PCC Users

Patrons who have taken advantage of public wireless access

Wireless Users

Benefitting from Technology Training

Length of Program (per hour basis)	Number of Patron Training Hours	Number of Library Staff Training Hours
36.16	878	9